

AGN. NO. ____

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MICHAEL D. ANTONOVICH

November 13, 2013

“National Volunteer Week,” as proclaimed by the President of the United States, will be observed the week of April 21 through April 27, 2013. The designation recognizes the outstanding contributions made by individuals across the country to various community-based programs, non-profit organizations, neighborhood projects and local government agencies.

The County of Los Angeles has an active Volunteer Program, created in 1981, which now spans 37 Departments and the Los Angeles Superior Court. Volunteers do not replace or serve as substitutes for County employees, but instead supplement employee efforts by handling assignments that otherwise would not get done.

“Volunteers: Soar Like An Eagle” will be the theme of the 2013 “Volunteer of the Year Recognition and Awards” ceremony, scheduled for Monday, April 15, 2013, in the Grand Hall, Dorothy Chandler Pavilion of the Music Center. The 31th anniversary celebration honors County volunteers, who are deserving of public recognition for their hard work, dedication and commitment to helping the County carry out its motto, “to enrich lives through effective and caring service.”

More than 55,501 individuals donated over 2.4 million volunteer hours in 2011 to County departments. According to the Independent Sector, a national organization based in Washington, D.C. that calculates the value of each volunteer hour, the County’s volunteer hours represent a value of 49.4 million dollars.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE, THAT the Board of Supervisors:

1. Proclaim Monday, April 15, 2013 as “Volunteers: Soar Like An Eagle Day” throughout the County of Los Angeles; and

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2. Authorize the Chief Executive Office (CEO) to appropriate \$35,000 for the 2013 County Volunteer Program, including the annual "Volunteer of the Year Recognition and Awards Ceremony" on April 15, the annual Volunteer Insurance Workshop on July 17, and the annual Volunteer Program planning meeting on December 5, 2013; and
3. Request that departmental volunteer coordinators submit to the CEO Office of Workplace Programs quarterly reports on the number of volunteer hours donated to their respective departments; and
4. Request that the Chief Executive Office, the Internal Services Department and departmental coordinators provide the necessary support for the 2013 County Volunteer Program; and
5. Waive the facility use fee in the amount of \$1,200, excluding the cost of liability insurance, for the Grand Hall and Lobby of the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion of the Music Center for the annual "Volunteer of the Year Recognition and Awards Ceremony" on Monday, April 15, 2013; and
6. Waive parking fees in the amount of \$3,400, excluding cost of liability insurance, at the Music Center for honorees and guests attending the annual "Volunteer of the Year Recognition and Awards Ceremony" on April 15, 2013; and
7. Waive parking fees for 20 cars in the amount of \$500, excluding liability insurance, at the Music Center for departmental volunteer coordinators to attend the annual Volunteer Program insurance workshop on July 17, 2013; and
8. Waive parking fees for 20 cars in the amount of \$500, excluding the cost of liability insurance, at the Music Center for departmental volunteer coordinators to attend the Volunteer Program planning meeting on December 5, 2013.

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